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1. Generalinspekteur Heinz Hoffmann, chief of the HVA, has been ordered by Wilhelm Zaisser, East German Minister of State Security, to draft a conscription law to provide men for the FDJ (Freie Deutsche Jugend (Free German Youth)), Dienst fuer Deutschland (Service for Germany) and the VOPO (Volkspolizei (People's Police)).¹
2. A staff of 12 has been assembled under Erich Frey to direct the Dienst fuer Deutschland training; the training day is to include 3 hours of military instruction.
3. The order is to be drafted to give the service the appearance of being voluntary. The sequence of service for the personnel is to be as follows:
 - a. Entrance in the Freie Deutsche Jugend
 - b. One-half year in the Dienst fuer Deutschland
 - c. One year in the Volkspolizei.¹

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1. Comment: Presumably paramilitary police (HVA).

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